GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
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STIPEND TO APPRENTICE TRAINEES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated for apprenticeship training in the country during the last three years;

(b) the details thereof, State-wise and year-wise;

(c) the details of amount of stipend given to apprentice trainees diploma holders and graduate engineers;

(d) whether the Government have now made some reduction in the stipend money and thus the State Governments are not getting adequate funds for the scheme;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) the steps the Government have taken to increase the amount of stipend to be given to apprentice trainees for ITI trained diploma holders and graduate engineers;

(g) whether there is any proposal to make it compulsory for all ITI trained persons to get apprenticeship training; and

(h) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a) The Ministry of Labour and the Ministry of Human Resource Development operate Apprenticeship Training Scheme (ATS) for Trade Apprentices and Graduate/ Technician/ Technician (Vocational)

Apprentices respectively. The total funds allocated during the last three years were as follows:

(Rs. In lakh)

Funds allocated for operating ATS for Year	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
Trade Apprentices	361.53	360.66	368.07
Graduate/ Technician/ Technician (Vocational) Apprentices	2400.00	2400.00	2350.00

No funds are however allocated by the Central Government to the State/UT Governments towards Apprenticeship Training Programme.

(a) Does not arise.

(b) The rates of stipend payable to different categories of apprentices are as follows:

Rs. 820 p.m for 1st year, Rs. 940 p.m. for 2nd year,
Rs. 1090 p.m. for 3rd year and Rs. 1230 p.m for 4th year for Trade Apprentices.

Rs. 1970 p.m. for Graduate, Rs. 1400 p.m. for Technician (Diploma Holders) & Rs. 1090 p.m. for Technician (Vocational) apprentices.

(c) No sir, the rates of stipend have not been reduced.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The rates of stipend are revised every two years based on the Consumer Price Index.

(f) There is no proposal to make it compulsory for all Industrial Training Institute (ITI) trained persons to get apprenticeship training.

(g) The National Trade Certificate awarded on successful completion of training is a recognized qualification for the purpose of employment. The ITI pass outs also have the option to undergo apprenticeship training.